

SUNDAY'S DISCOURSE IS ON OUR JOURNEY THROUGH LIFE.

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Washington, Dec. 15.—This discourse is a most unusual presentation of things that take place in our lives, and Dr. Talmage pleads for merciful interpretation of human behavior. The text is Joshua iii, 4, "Ye have not passed this way heretofore."

What is the practical use of this subject? Instead of putting so much stress upon human advice and instead of asking of the past what we ought to do, follow the divine leading as the men of Joshua followed the golden rod, the chest of acacia, which was the symbol of the divine presence. Not human, but divine, leadership, Joshua not consulting with his colonels and

also get us down in an easy chair. You will never be happy in this world if you do not do all the good you can and look for no responsive gratitude. The worst enemy you ever had is the man you introduced and favored and helped. But be not disturbed or even irritated. You are no better than the Lord. If the world had had any thankful appreciation of his coming, it would

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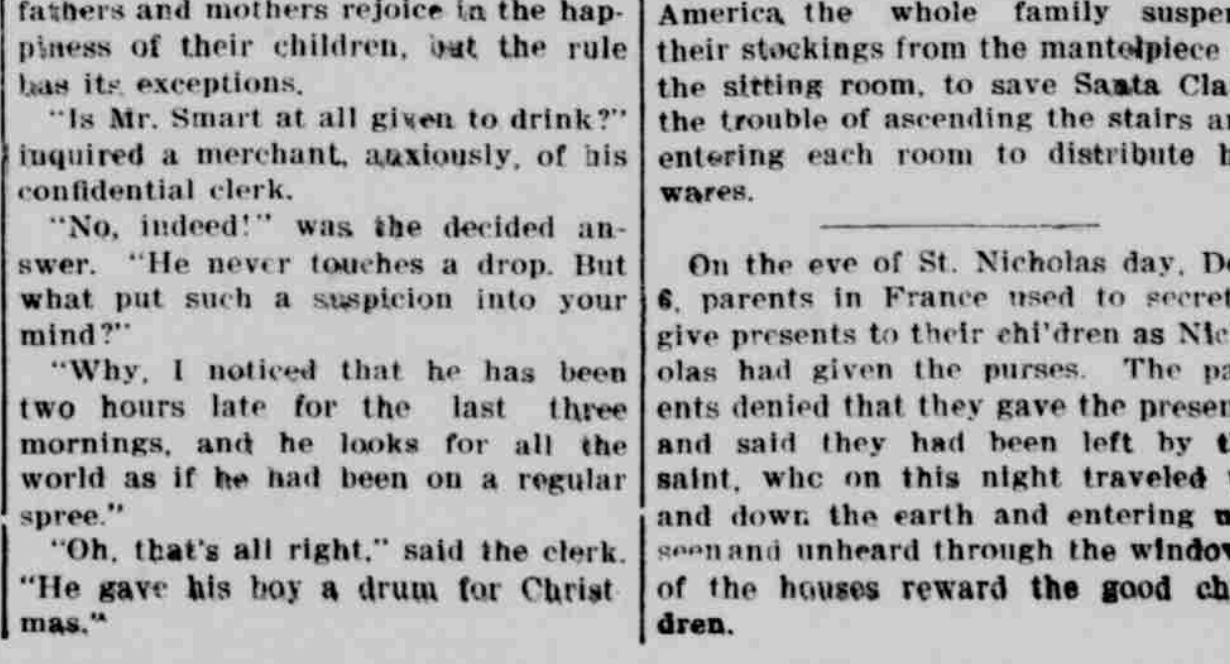
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Biggs—"Do you belong to any society?" Diggs—"No; but I'm going to assist in organizing one next week." Biggs—"What is to be the nature of it?" Diggs—"It will be a society for the suppression of useless societies,"—Chicago News.

On the eve of St. Nicholas day, 6, parents in France used to see give presents to their children as Nicholas had given the purses. The parents denied that they gave the presents and said they had been left by saint, who on this night traveled down the earth and entering unseen and unheard through the windows of the houses reward the good children.

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